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SUBJ: BHUTTO DEPARTS FOR CHINA

1. PRIMIN BHUTTO, ACCOMPANIED BY BEGUM BHUTTO, DEPARTED ISLAMABAD MORNING MAY 11 BY SPECIAL PIA FLIGHT FOR 4-DAY OFFICIAL VISIT TO CHINA.

2. PRIMIN PARTY INCLUDES NUMBER OF SENIOR GOP OFFICIALS: MINISTER FOR PRODUCTION, PRESIDENTIAL AFFAIRS, COMMERCE AND INDUSTRIES J.A. RAHIM; MINISTER OF STATE FOR DEFENSE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS AZIZ AHMED; PRIMIN SPECIAL ASSISTANT FOR INFORMATION YUSUF BUCH; FONSEC AGHA SHAHI; INFO SECRETARY NASIM AHMAD; ECONOMIC AFFAIRS DIVISION SECRETARY AFTAB AHMED KHAN AND NUMBER OF OTHER CIVIL AND MILITARY OFFICIALS, LATER INCLUDING REPRESENTATIVES FROM ALL THREE SERVICES. ALSO INCLUDED IN ENTOURAGE ARE SEVERAL MEMBERS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY AND SENATE.

3. UNDERSTAND PARTY SCHEDULED RETURN PAKISTAN MAY 14.

4. COMMENT: NOT CLEAR WHICH TOPICS WILL BE UPPERMOST
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IN MINDS OF BHUTTO'S PARTY FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH CHINA,

BUT COMPOSITION OF PARTY SUGGESTS ECONOMIC TOPICS LIKELY
TO BE PROMINENT. LOCAL PRESS SPECULATES THAT TALKS
ARE ALSO LIKELY TO FOCUS ON MILITARY AID MATTERS.
THIS IS FIRST VISIT BY PRIMIN TO CHINA SINCE EARLY 1972.
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